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National FOIA Office  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (2310A)  
Washington, DC 20460

Regional Freedom of Information Officer  
U.S. EPA, Region 5  
77 West Jackson Boulevard (MI-10J)  
Chicago, IL 60604-3590

*Re: Request for Documents Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act*

To Whom it May Concern:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 *et seq.* ("FOIA"), and the United States Environmental Protection Agency's implementing regulations at 40 C.F.R. § 2.100 *et seq.*, BakerHostetler hereby requests all documents described below. Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions about the scope of this request.

This FOIA Request is directed to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA).

We are willing to pay reasonable reproduction and search fees as required by applicable regulations. However, please notify me before proceeding if you anticipate that such expenses will exceed \$400. For purposes of fees, this request should be classified in the category of "commercial-use requester."

In the event that you determine that any portion of the requested information may be withheld pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(b) or 40 C.F.R. Subpart B, I respectfully request that you exercise any discretion you have to release those documents. In the event that you elect not to disclose any document or portion thereof determined to be exempt, please specifically identify such

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document(s), delete or redact any exempt portions of the document(s), specifically identify in your response the nature of the deleted or redacted information, and specify the statutory basis for the denial. My consent to accepting any documents with deletions or redactions is intended to facilitate your prompt response and in no way waives entitlement to the complete documents.

Please direct your response to this FOIA request to the undersigned. I request that any documents be delivered in electronic form (Microsoft Word or Adobe pdf). Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

### **FOIA REQUEST**

BakerHostetler requests copies of all Notices of Violation, Notices of Potential Violation, and Findings of Violation issued by Region 5 of the U.S. EPA during the month of August, 2020, which concern any Ohio facility in the Oil and Gas industry, including but not limited to all Ohio facilities that operate under (or have filed for air permit coverage under) the Ohio EPA's *General Permit for Oil and Gas Well-site Production Operations with a Small Flare* (GP 12.1), or the Ohio EPA's *General Permit for Oil and Gas Well-site Production Operations with a Small Flare* (GP 12.1).

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Martin T. Booher